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SUBJ: PETROLEUM: FIRST JAPANESE WELL DRY

ACCORDING TO GOVERNMENT OIL COMPANY SOURCES (MOC), THE FIRST WETP DRILLED BY THE JAPANESE CONSORTIUM OFF THE ARAKAN COAST HAS PROVEN DRY. USING THE READING & BATES DRILLING SHIP "THORNTON", THE WELL REACHED A DEPTH OF ALMOST 13,000 FEET. SOME GAS WAS ENCOUNTERED AT APPROXIMATELY 1,000 FEET BUT NOT IN COMMERCIAL QUANTITY. THE WELL IS NOW BEING CLOSED DOWN AND THE THORNTON WILL DEPART FOR OVERHAUL AND INSPECTION IN SINGAPORE IN A FEW DAYS. THE JAPANESE HAVE OBTAINED A JACK-UP REPLACEMENT RIG FROM A JAPAN FIRM, WHICH IS DUE TO ARRIVE IN JULY. THE TWO AMERICAN COMPANIES AND THE EUROPEAN CONSORTIUM CONTINUE DRILLING THEIR FIRST WELLS OFF THE ARAKAN COAST AND IN THE ANDAMAN SEA BUT NO POSITIVE RESULTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED TO DATE.

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